Commonwealth of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMUNICATIONS
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Manila

April 26, 1945

MEMORANDUM for
Hon. Ismael Mathay
Commissioner of the Budget

SUBJECT: Establishment of Communications Service by Telegraph, Radio, Airplane Courier and Vehicle Courier Between Manila and Certain Points in Liberated Areas.

The services outlined in the attached memorandum of the same subject matter will become effective May 1, 1945 except the following, which will be announced at a later date:

1. Radio facilities at and between the following points: Iloilo, Cebu, Zamboanga and Catbalogan.

2. Motor courier service between Manila and Pasig, Rizal, Cavite, Cavite, Batangas, Batangas and Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija.

3. Motor courier service between Manila and Aparri, Cagayan, stopping at Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya and Ilagan, Isabela.

4. Motor courier service between Manila and Sorsogon, Sorsogon, stopping at Luceana, Tayabas, Daet, Camarines Norte, Naga, Camarines Sur and Legaspi, Albay.

(SGD.) SOTERO B. CABAHUG
Secretary of Public Works and Communications

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1. A communications service by telegraph, radio, sarehand airplane courier and motor vehicle has been established between Manila and certain points in the liberated areas, as set forth below.

2. The initial services to be provided are the following:

a. Telegraph service between Manila and the following locations (others to be designated later):

(1) Malolos, Bulacan.

(2) San Fernando, Pampanga.

(3) Paniqui, Tarlac.

(4) Dagupan, Pangasinan.

b. Radio facilities at and between the following locations:

(1) Tacloban, Leyte.

(2) Iloilo, Iloilo.

(3) Cebu, Cebu.

(4) Zamboanga, Zamboanga.

(5) Catbalogan, Samar.

(6) Such other locations, not to exceed eleven in number, as the Commonwealth Government may select.

Basic: Memo to All Members of the Philippine Commonwealth and all Provincial Governors, subj: "Establishment of Communications Service by Telegraph, Radio, Airplane Courier and vehicle Courier Between Manila and Certain Points in Liberated Areas, "dtd 25 Apr 45.

c. Motor courier service between the points on the schedule set forth in Inclosure #1 herewith. Maximum weight allowance for messanges and parcels transported by the motor vehicle courier service for each locality named will be 30 pounds for each motor courier trip.

3. The safehand air courier service will be made available to the Commonwealth Government for the carrying of messages and parcels between Manila and the following Provincial Capitols (others to be designated later):

a. Tacloban, Leyte.

b. Lingayen, Pangasinan.

c. Cebu, Cebu.

d. The maximum weight allowance for messages and parcels to be transported by safehand airplane courier service for each of the localities named will be limited to 5 pounds for each airplane courier trip.

4. Use of these restored facilities and services is to be restricted to the highest Government officials and to official business. They are not to be made available to the general public. Messages and parcels will be deposited for dispatch with the following officials (others to be designated later):

a. Manila ..... Secretary of P.W. & Com. Malacanan Palace.

b. San Fernando, Pampanga-Provincial Treasurer.

c. Malolos, Bulacan .....Provincial Treasurer

d. Tarlac, Tarlac .....Provincial Treasurer

e. Paniqui, Tarlac ..... Congressman Jose Cojuangco.

f. Dagupan, Pangasinan .... Municipal Treasurer

g. Lingayen, Pangasinan ... Provincial Treasurer

h. San Fernando, La Union . Provincial Treasurer

i. Tacloban, Leyte ..... Provincial Treasurer

5. The above services will be initially operated under the control, direction and coordination of the Chief Signal Officer, Philippine Army. Later, when available personnel and facilities permit, the above services will be transferred to and operate completely under the civilian control of the Secretary of Public Works and Communications.

6. In order that items may not be transmitted by the above-listed means that may in any way disclose information that could be utilized by the enemy if intercepted or captured by him, a censorship will be exercised by a Civilian Censorship Detachment established pursuant to agreement with the Commonwealth Government. This detachment will have representatives at the appropriate places for the purpose of censoring the traffic to be handled by the above-mentioned means.

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Motor Courier Serv to be Est'd for
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